

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A money clip comprising:
 - a substantially flat housing having an upper wall and a lower wall with a space between the walls to form a cavity;
 - a slot-like opening between the walls for communicating the cavity outwardly of the housing;
 - a magnifying glass normally positioned within the housing, in the cavity between the walls in generally parallel arrangement to the walls;
 - a hinge pivotally connecting the magnifying glass to the housing so that the magnifying glass may be manually pivoted about the hinge outwardly of the housing through the opening for extending away from the housing while connected thereto;
 - a flexible band secured to the lower wall of the housing for encircling and holding paper money between the band and the housing lower wall;
 - whereby the paper money may be held within the loop between the band and housing while the magnifying glass may be manually extended from the housing when desired for use of the magnifying glass, without affecting the money which is held by the clip during the use of the magnifying glass, and the magnifying glass may, upon completion of its use, be pivoted back into the cavity, for storage therein, when not in use.

2. A money clip as defined in Claim 1, and including:

a portion of the adjacent edges of the plates being rigidly connected together for spacing and holding the plates apart and forming the cavity for receiving the magnifying glass;

said hinge including a connection part formed on one of the plates being pivotally connected to a cooperating hinge connection part secured to the magnifying glass for swinging the magnifying glass through said opening and into and out of the cavity located between the plates;

whereby the magnifying glass may be manually swung into and out of the cavity as desired for use of the magnifying glass without otherwise disturbing the money held by the cavity during use of the magnifying glass.

3. A money clip as defined in Claim 1, and including a lip formed on the periphery of a portion of one of the plates for extending to and being connected to the opposite plate portions for thereby forming a generally flat cavity between the plates for receiving and concealing the magnifying glass when pivoted into the cavity.

4. A money clip as defined in Claim 3, and including a hinge projection formed on the lower plate and a corresponding hinge projection formed on the magnifying glass, with the hinge projections overlapping and being interconnected by a pivot pin for pivoting the magnifying glass into and out of the housing cavity.

5. A magnifying glass as defined in Claim 4, and the lower plate having an exposed lower surface with a rigid loop formed on such surface through which the band is passed so that the band forms an endless loop adjacent to, and secured to, the housing; and with the band being formed of an elastic material for holding a wad of paper money upon the money clip.

6. A money clip comprising:

a housing formed of a pair of spaced-apart plates that are interconnected along their peripheral edges to form a substantially flat space between the plates, with an opening communicating the space with the exterior of the housing formed by such plates;

a magnifying glass pivotally connected to at least one of the plates forming the housing for swinging into and out of the space so that the magnifying glass is normally concealed between the plates of the housing and may be manually swung outwardly of the housing to a position adjacent the housing for magnifying use;

an elastic band connected to the housing plate for holding a wad of money upon the housing;

whereby the user of the money clip may normally hold a folded wad of paper money upon the clip, with the magnifying glass concealed within the housing and, when desired, may extend the magnifying glass outwardly of the housing, while still keeping the money connected to the money clip while using the magnifying glass for magnifying purposes.

7. A money clip as defined Claim 6, and including said magnifying glass being pivotal in a plane corresponding to the plane of the space between the plates for swinging into the space for storage of the magnifying glass between the plates in the space and, alternatively, being swingable outwardly of the space for approximate parallel positioning relative to the housing plates while the magnifying glass is used.

8. A money clip as defined in Claim 6, and including loops formed on the surface of at least one of the plates through which the elastic band is passed for connecting the band to the housing for resiliently holding a wad of paper money upon the housing.

9. A money clip as defined in Claim 6, and including the plates being pivotally connected by a hinge so that the plates may be swung apart relative to each other and alternatively may be swung towards each other to provide the space between the plates within the housing;

said magnifying glass being pivotally connected to one of the plates so that it may be pivoted against that one plate, for positioning the magnifying glass in the space formed when the two plates are pivoted into approximate parallel relationship to form the housing.